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SCORES FAULTY FOOD STORAGE;
FIX MEAT PRICES;
AFFORESTATION SPEEDED UNDER PLAN

ORDER GOODS SHIPPED TO PERMANENT WAREHOUSES -- Rabotnichesko Delo, No 55,
 24 Feb 50

According to reports of the Ministry of Internal Trade, food purchased on the free market is being stored for extensive periods in temporary warehouses, in inadequate cooperative storerooms, or in the purchaser's own quarters, which are frequently damp and unsanitary. Furthermore, a large part of the food is not registered with the proper central organizations.

The okoliya people's soviets, the Main Food Supply Administration, the Agricultural Purchasing Administration of the Central Cooperative Union, the Kolstok enterprise, and the district people's soviets are requested to start immediately shipping all foodstuffs purchased at free market prices to the permanent Food Supply warehouses; the deadline is 1 March 1950.

The okoliya people's soviets will advise the local trucking enterprises to set up daily food-shipping schedules. Furthermore, okoliya people's soviets will actively participate in shipping the goods to their proper destination, aid in providing motor vehicles for transportation, and control the conveyance of all purchased foodstuffs.

LAMBS, KIDS TO BE DELIVERED FOR STATE PURCHASE -- Rabotnichesko Delo, No 49,
 18 Feb 50

The Council of Ministers has recently approved the 1950 plan for the compulsory delivery of kids and lambs for state purchase at ceiling prices. The Ministry of Internal Trade, the district and okoliya people's soviets, and the local people's soviets are requested to purchase the number of animals provided by the plan. Livestock producers will deliver the stock to

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the Meat Center state enterprise through its respective subdivisions and co-operatives. After delivery, the balance may be sold on the free market to the Meat Center or any of its organizations, to the rural people's soviets, or directly to the consumer. Only animals of at least 8 kilograms live weight may be purchased.

District, okoliya, and local people's soviets are urged to launch a wide campaign to promote the conscientious and accurate delivery of the required animal quotas.

SET KID, LAMB PRICES -- Rabotnichesko Delo, No 55, 24 Feb 50

The Council of Ministers has approved the following prices for kid and lamb meat: until 4 March 1950, the wholesale price will be 312 leva per kilogram and the retail price 330. From 5 March to 4 June, the first category of kids and lambs will be fixed at 254 leva per kilogram wholesale, and at 270 retail, whereas meat of the second category will sell at 244 leva per kilogram wholesale and 260 retail.

Meat of the first category will be sold in Sofia and Plovdiv, and of the second category throughout the rest of the country.

USE CORN GERM FOR OIL PRODUCTION -- Narodno Delo, No 1617, 13 Jan 50

During 1950, the majority of grain mills throughout the country will install machinery for corn germ grinding. The germ is now used for the production of edible oil and machine oil. The new type of meal, obtained from the simultaneous coarse grinding of germ and kernels, is expected to produce a yearly volume of oil equal to half the quantity obtained from sunflower seed under good harvest conditions.

The method also improves the quality of corn meal by preserving one quarter of the fat content of the germ, and thereby making it less perishable.

SCORES WITHHOLDING OF SEED RESERVES -- Narodno Delo, No 1669, 8 Feb 50

During the 1949 fall sowing campaign, it has been noticed that some farmers concealed their own seed reserves in order to take advantage of the seed subsidy offered by the state. Any such misrepresentations will be penalized in the future as hostile acts.

AFFORESTATION AHEAD OF PREWAR -- Rabotnichesko Delo, No 41, 10 Feb 50

On 9 February People's Deputy Nikolai Georgiev reported that of the 1,100,000 decares afforested in Bulgaria in the 50 years ending 9 September 1949, 800,000 decares had been planted during the last 4 or 5 years. The Five-Year Plan calls for the afforestation of a total of 1,773,000 decares, or 365,000 during 1950.

He reported that, to date, 1,605 farm work cooperatives, with 161,000 members and 5,600,000 decares of land, have been established in Bulgaria.

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